ELBA MUSIC LOVERS' CLUB MET JAN. 18—

Mrs. L. P Mullins was hostess to the Elba Music Lovers' Club on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 18. The reception rooms were very attractive in decorations of early spring flowers. Mrs. J. C. Fleming called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting.

In the absence of the president, Mrs. T. B. Bryan, the vice president presided over the short business meeting. She also introduced the program and gave an inertesting paper on "Folk Music of Scotland"; Mrs. Lowery told entertainingly of "How Scotland Sings Her Story"; a poem by Robert Burns, "Despondency", was effectively given by Mrs. A. C. Dunaway; "Blue Bells of Scotland" and "Coming Thro' the Rye" were played by Mrs. R. L. Cooper as the concluding number.

During the social hour the hostess served a delicious salad course with coca cola.

Mrs. M. A. Owen, Rep.

VICTORIA 4-H CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The Victoria 4-H Club met January 2 for the purpose of electing new officers as follows:

President, Everett Perkins; vice pres., Wilson Mobley; secy-treas., Harold Wise; song leader, Milford Head; reporter, Dwain Perkins.

Dwain Perkins, Rep.

CPL. TEEL'S GROUP GETS CITATION

Cpl. James R. Teel, of Robertsdale, Ala., Rt. 1, is a member of a bombard-group which, with its divison, has been cited by President Roosevelt for a bombing attacks on targets in Germany, Jan. 11, 1944. Cpl. Teel is now entitled to wear the Presidential Citation Badge, a blue ribbon with a gold border, over the right pocket of the blouse.

This group, which is commanded by Col. Howard Moore, of Llano, Texas, also has been commended by Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, commanding general of the Eighth Air Force, and Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker, former commander of the Eighth, for outstanding performance of duty in the winter of 1943-44 when its planes led 50 per cent of the 8th's bombing missions.

Cpl. Teel, who is a truck driver in the transportation section of his B-27 Flying Fortress Squadron, has been overseas two years. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Teel, formerly of Opp, now of Robertsdale, Rt. 1, and was a farmer before entering the Army.

Lt. James R. Martin and Mrs. Martin, who have been in Fayetteville, N. C., have moved to Oklahoma, where he has military assignment

Miss Nell English, of Dothan, visited relatives in Elba during the past week end.

Congratulations

To the Men and Women of Dorsey Trailers, we offer our congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of the presentation of Army - Navy "E" Award.

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"SUBMARINE BASE"
—Featuring—
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Admission 10c & 30c

SATURDAY ALL DAY
"CANYON CITY"
—Starring—
Don (Red) Barry
Admission 10c & 25c

SAT., 4 P. M.—LATE SHOW
"SEVEN DOORS TO DEATH"
—Starring—
Chick Chandler
Admission 10c & 30c

SUNDAY AFTERNOON AND MONDAY NIGHT
'HOUR BEFORE DAWN'
—Starring—
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"SALUTE TO THE MARINES"
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WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
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EUZELIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS MEETS—

Mrs. Sam Rowe was hostess to the Euzelian Sunday School Class of the Baptist Church on Jan. 18, which was its regular monthly meeting.

Mrs. Rowe gave the devotional, using the 13th chapter of Cor. as her scripture selection. The minutes were read and approved; reports were made and discussed. Mrs. Kate Ham gave a report on the District Sunday School Convention which she attended in Dothan.

The class will meet with Mrs. Sara Carnley in February and Mrs. Sam Sawyer will have charge of the program.

Mrs. Fannie Spurlin went to Montgomery last Friday, where she will spend the next three weeks for medical treatment at St. Margaret's hospital. Friends trust that she may soon be much improved. Mr. Johnnie Price accompanied her to Montgomery.

Mr. H. K. Daniel has returned home to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Daniel, Route 1, Elba.

Mortgages and Rent Notes for sale at Clipper Ofiice.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Chester Coleman, Complainant, vs. Nancy Coleman, Respondent.

In the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, In Equity, Elba Division.

To Nancy Coleman:

You will take notice that Chester Coleman has filed bill of complaint against you in this Court, you are therefore notified to appear, plead, answer or demur to said bill on or before March 27, 1945, or its allegations will be taken as confessed.

This the 23rd day of January, 1945.

GLADYS CLARK,

Goodson Cross Roads

Congratulations to Sgt. Douglas Lott and Miss Verma Goodson, who were happily married Tuesday night, January 23. Their many friends extend best wishes for a long and happy married life.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunk Goodson and Mrs. Dewey Rachel were visitors to Troy Friday.

Winnie Beth and Billy Sam Parrish, of Tarentum, are spending some time in the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Parrish.

We are glad that Uncle John Goodson, who has been on the sick list for several days, is improving and trust that he will soon be fully recovered.

Mr. O'Neal Goodson visited his sister, Mrs. Grafton Bragg, in Troy Friday.

Mr. D. P. Goodson was a spend-the-day guest of Mrs. L. E. Perkins Friday.

Mr. Will Smith received a letter a few days ago from his son, Pfc. Milford Smith, who has been in service for four or five years, stating that he has recently arrived in the States and is now in a New York hospital undergoing treatment for wounds received while serving overseas. His many friends are glad to know that he is now back in the States and trust that he will soon be home for awhile.

Among those present for a get-together and barbecue dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Parrish on Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jacobs, Mrs. Verma Jacobs and son, Johnnie, of Ariton, Rt. 1; Mr. and Mrs. Will Whittington and daughter, Miss Lena, of Jack Rt. 1; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lott and family, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Lott and family, all of Tennille; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Parrish and children; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Adkison, Elba Rt. 1; Mrs. L. P. Parrish and daughter, New Brockton Rt. 2; O'Neal Goodson, Cliff Goodson, Mrs. Woodrow Jackson and children and the honoree, Sgt. and Mrs. Douglas Lott.

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Lesson for February 4

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JESUS' CONCERN FOR ALL

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 9:1, 9-13, 18-26.

GOLDEN TEXT—Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law, and the prophets.—Matthew 7:12.

What is a man worth? Well, say we, that depends, and then we are prone to undervalue him. Jesus had (and taught) a high regard for the inherent value of man. He saw possibilities in all men. He had a love for them. He was concerned about their welfare, and they responded by an interest in Him.

Jesus showed by His dealings with men how wrong are most of the standards and attitudes of the world. With Him there were:

I. No Social Barrier (vv. 1, 9, 10).

The caste system of some lands, dividing people into social strata which separate men and hinder fellowship, does not exist in our land. Yet, in practice, we have such levels which are a formidable barrier in the thinking of many (perhaps most) people.

Jesus knew nothing of social barriers. He ignored them and went straight to the one in need. In our lesson it was a man of position and wealth who was an outcast among his people because he was a hated gatherer of taxes for Rome.

Jesus saw in him a man of faith and a useful witness for Him. And He not only talked with him, but called him to be His disciple. Then He went further and, to the astonishment of His critics, went in to a great feast where many such men were gathered.

He ate with publicans and sinners, not because He approved of their manner of life, but because He wanted to change it as He changed them.

II. No Fear of Criticism (vv. 11-13).

Many a kind and noble impulse has died a-borning because of the fear of criticism. "What will people say?" has kept many a Christian from speaking to some sinner about his (or her) soul.

"The world is too much with us—" and we all too often guide our lives and service by the possible reaction we may receive from those round about us. We did not learn such an attitude from Jesus.

His answer to His critics made it clear that there will be no self-righteous, "good enough" people in heaven. The Lord is not even calling them, so long as they trust in their own goodness. He came to seek and to save sinners (v. 13, and Luke 19:10).

We, too, may go forward without fear of our critics. That doesn't mean that we "don't care what people think" about us. We ought to care, but if their opinion is based on unbelief and self-righteousness, it should certainly not deter us from our all-important business of soul-winning.

III. No Limitation of Time and Place (vv. 18-22).

Often the help of man to those in need is circumscribed by so many regulations that those who most deserve help cannot get it. There are times and places for application forms, and tests must be completed, etc. Doubtless much of this is needed, but one wonders at times whether our charitable impulses have not disappeared under a mountain of red tape.

Be that as it may, how interesting it is to see that Jesus met the need when and where it appeared. He was already on one errand of mercy when the sick woman touched His robe. He was not too busy nor too preoccupied to stop and give her a word of help and comfort (v. 22).

Is there not a significant lesson here for us in the church? The need is reason enough for the extension of our help. The place is anywhere that men are in sadness or sorrow, and the hour is now—when they need our help.

IV. No Lack of Power (vv. 23-26).

How often the human heart is prompted to help, and willing hands are ready to follow its promptings in loving action, yet we find that we cannot do anything. The need is too great for our meager resources. Our strength does not suffice. We have no money, or the situation is one beyond human help.

How wonderful it is then to remember the Lord Jesus! A touch on the hem of His garment in faith made the woman whole (v. 22). A word from Him brought the dead little girl out to face the scorners of Jesus, in the bloom of life and health.

Has He lost any of His great power? No. He is just "the same yesterday, and today, and forever" (Heb. 13:8). Why not trust Him?

Do you need help—spiritual, mental, physical? He is able. He has no prejudice regarding your social position. He will meet you right where you are, and right now. He is seeking the sick and the sinful—"the lost, the last, and the least." Look to Him by faith.

The great Physician now is near,
The sympathizing Jesus:
He speaks, the drooping heart to cheer;
O hear the voice of Jesus.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my friends, both white and colored, for the many deeds of kindness shown to me while here on leave from the hospital. I will always cherish the interest shown in my welfare. Sincerely,

Pfc. Johnnie Blue.

Mrs. Luther Vaughan left Tuesday for Bascom, Fla., where she will spend the remainder of the week visiting relatives.

Miss Audria Stevens, of Washington, D. C., is spending a two-weeks vacation with Mr. and Mrs. John Stevens, Elba, Route 1.

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CAPT. CHAS. HARRISON HAS BEEN AWARDED BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Capt. Chas. W. Harrison, of Elba, now overseas serving with the 80th Infantry Division, was recently awarded the Bronze Star Medal. The badge together with the citation has been sent to his wife in Elba for safe-keeping. The citation reads:

"A Bronze Star Medal is awarded to Capt. Chas. W. Harrison, 01167890, Field Artillery, Army of the United States, for meritorious service in France during the period 8 August 1944 to 15 December 1944, in connection with military operations against the enemy of the United States.

"During the period 8 August 1944 to 15 December 19b4, Capt. Harrison distinguished himself in performing his duties as Headquarters Battery Commanding officer in a superior manner. His untiring and ceaseless efforts as a leader and example to his men has contributed greatly to the installation and maintenance of the communications of the battalion. The initiative, efficiency and devotion to duty displayed by Capt. Harrison reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States."

JERIEL CROCKER IS NOW IN NEW YORK

Jeriel Crocker, who returned the first of December from overseas, where he spent nearly four years, is now in Brooklyn, N. Y., awaiting a new assignment. After visiting his mother, Mrs. Emma Crocker, in Elba, for three weeks, Jeriel spent some time at Miami Beach, Fla., for rest and recreation before going to New York on January 16. Everything was covered in snow when he got to New York, and he spent some time in a hospital for tonsil treatment.

He states that he enjoyed being at home where he got good, home-cooked food and had a nice soft bed to sleep in, which was quite different from what he had for about ten months while he was in the jungles. He also saw many things while in action that he does not like to talk about.

FEBRUARY 9 SET ASIDE FOR ARBOR DAY BY GOVERNOR

In honor of the trees whose existence has made Alabama rank third among its sister states of the nation for the past five years in the production of lumber, Governor Chauncey Sparks has proclaimed Friday, Feb. 9, for the observance of Arbor Day. Pointing out that the forests of the state are the basis for numerous industries which employ many thousands of Alabamians. the proclamation urges citizens, clubs and schools to observe the occasion with programs and tree-planting exercises.

The demand upon Alabama's forested acres by wartime needs has increased with the tempo of battle. Not only are the trees furnishing lumber but crating for many types of vehicles, packaging for medical supplies, but plywood and pulpwood for many hundreds of assorted uses. The present demands, plus the added drain to be expected from postwar needs, are placing a heavy strain upon the forests that can leave them in a deplorable state.

It is the purpose of Arbor Day programs to draw attention to the benefits derived from the existence of trees and forests and the damage that may be done to them and our own economic future by fires and unwise cutting practices.

REVIVAL MEETING AT ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Evangelist Myrtle Cosby, of Birmingham, began revival services at the Elba Assembly of God Tuesday night, Feb. 6. Song and prayer service begins at 8:15 each evening.

There will be plenty of good singing, special music, and the old-time Gospel preached. The public is cordially invited to attend.

J. C. Thames, Pastor.

NOTICE: Regular meeting of Eastern Star this (Thursday) evening at 7:30. All members are urged to attend.

Sallie Collier, Secy.

Harris Winston, C. R. M., stationed at Washington, D. C., is visiting his family and other relatives in Elba.

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HUNDREDS CHEER AS "E" BANNER WAVES AT DORSEY PLANT

Hundreds of visitors from every section of South Alabama joined citizens of Elba in paying tribute to Dorsey Trailers on last Friday when the Army-Navy "E" Banner was formally presented to the management and employees of the firm, which now joins the exclusive ranks of the United States Industries that have been presented the highly coveted award from the Army and Navy. The excellence of their war production places them among the four per cent of the industries of the nation which have been thus honored.

It was a solemn and thrilling moment when Col. J. D. McIntyre of the War Department's General Staff presented the "E" Banner to Claude E. Dorsey, Jr., before the large crowd of guests and employees which had gathered inside the huge new plant. From a temporary stage in the center of the building, amongst the modern machinery, parts and equipment, Col McIntyre spoke of his pride in the production record of the State of Alabama, his native state.

"The war is at a critical state," the Colonel continued. "The combined efforts of both the armed forces and the home front are required. Any slackening of effort on either front will delay the end of the war.

Trailers, Col. McIntyre said, were indispensable in modern warfare. "All fronts depend on them. The absence of a war worker from his job for a single day can cause a temporary shortage on the battlefield." The "E" Award, he said, was recognition by the War and Navy Departments of performance beyond the call of duty, and he asked that it "be a challenge to greater efforts."

At the conclusion of his speech the banner was presented and raised on a flagstaff by a color guard sent to Elba by Colonel Charles J. Daly, commander of Napier Field, under the direction of Major Fred T. Hight.

Claude E. Dorsey, Jr., one of the partners made the acceptance speech on behalf of all employees of Dorsey Trailers and declared: "We are very proud of it and know that this citation for excellence is a recognition of not only our individual accomplishments, but also the overall results that have been obtained here at the plant."

Lieut. Commander W. W. Hearther, who represented the Navy, read the citation of meritorious service. He then pinned the "E" emblem button on J. V. Wright, Sales Manager of Dorsey Trailers. In accepting, Mr. Wright pledged, on behalf of all employees, "increased efforts in the direction of even greater achievements so that we will continue to merit the confidence and trust that our armed services have placed in us."

James C. Dixon, principal of Elba High School, presided and presented the speakers. He also read a telegram from Congressman George Andrews congratulating Dorsey Trailers on the accomplishment.

The Napier Field Army Air Force Band lent a martial air to the program under the direction of Warrant Officer John S. Charlesworth. Immediately following the presentation exercises, visitors and employees were invited to partake of a sumptuous Southern barbecue dinner, served in the building at specially prepared tables.

DUNN-HUTTO

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Dunn, of Elba, Route 3, announce the marriage of their daughter, Obie Ruth, to T. L. Hutto, of Enterprise. The wedding took place Saturday night, February 3.

PFC. JOHN G. LEE GETS SHARPSHOOTER MEDAL

Lawson Field, Fort Benning, Ga.—Pfc. John G. Lee has qualified as Sharpshooter with the pistol and received the Sharpshooter Medal, it was announced by the Commanding Officer, Lawson Field, a Base of the U. S. Army Air Forces First Troop Carrier Command.

The First Troop Carrier Command, with headquarters at Indianapolis, Ind., is the branch of the air force charged with transporting men, supplies and equipment in battle areas throughout the world. Flying Twin-engine C-47 cargo planes, they carry paratroopers, tow gliders and deliver vital materials to America's fighting men. Equipped with stretchers and medical supplies and carrying flight nurses, they also fly wounded men from the front back to base hospitals.

Pfc. Lee has been a member of the Army Air Forces since his entrance on Aug. 15, 1942. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fountain Lee, of Elba, Ala., Rt. 5.

DR. BLUE ACQUITTED IN WIFE'S DEATH

Bessemer, Ala., Jan. 30—Dr. J. Howard Blue, Bessemer physician, was acquitted today by the fourth circuit court jury to try him on a charge of murder in the shotgun death of his wife in May, 1943.

The jury, in Circuit Judge Gardner Goodywn's court, handed in the verdict that Dr. Blue was innocent after an hour and a half's debate, climaxing the fourth trial, which opened a week ago yesterday.

The doctor's wife, Laura Ball Blue, was killed in the Blue home on a Sunday night. Dr. Blue maintained during the four proceedings that she was shot as he tried to wrest an automatic shotgun from her hands.

He testified she had announced an intention to kill him and then take her own life.

The first and third hearings of the case resulted in mistrials. In the second, the doctor was adjudged guilty of second degree murder and given a 50-year prison sentence, but the verdict was set aside in a State Supreme Court ruling ordering a new trial.

Classified Advertising

If you want to buy, sell, swap, rent or locate lost property, try an adv. in this column.

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LT. RALPH BRUNSON IN SPECIAL TRAINING AT LITTLE CREEK, VA.

Lt. (jg) Ralph L. Brunson, a former resident of Elba, is now at the Amphibious Training Base at Little Creek, Va., where he is training for service as Commanding Officer of an LSM (Landing Ship, Medium.)

The vessel on which Lt. (jg) Brunson will serve was especially developed for landing war machines and equipment onto Pacific islands, and LSMs passed their prst test in actual combat when they helped land General MacArthur's army on the shores of Leyte. Under the cover of heavy warships and their own curtains of anti-aircraft fire, the fast and powerful LSMs hit the Jap-held beaches and lowered their landing ramps for their cargoes of tanks and trucks to swarm ashore.

When Lt. (jg) Brunson completes his Little Creek training, he and his crew will take over a new LSM and sail to join their sister ships in the Pacific area.

Lt. (jg) Brunson, whose wife resides in Alpharetta, Ga., attended Howard College, graduating in 1940, and joined the Navy in February, 1942. He has served several months overseas on an LCT (Landing Craft, Tank). His brother, L. R. Brunson, is also in the Navy and is now serving overseas. The two brothers are sons of Mrs. Kate Brunson, who resides in Elba.

HELMS-MORROW

The marriage of Miss Nannie Ruth Helms, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Helms, of New Brockton, to Thomas Edmond Morrow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Coston Morrow, of Elba, took place Sunday afternoon, January 28, at the Baptist pastorium, with Dr. B. R. Justice performing the simple ring ceremony.

The bride's sister, Miss Bernice Helms, was maid of honor. She wore a two-piece black tailored gabardine suit with patent accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

Mrs. Renzo Goodson was matron of honor, dressed in a poudre blue wool jersey ensemble.

Serving as best man was Renzo Goodson.

The bride was beautifully dressed in a three-piece traveling suit of navy wool gabardine, and wore a small veiled Milan hat with patent accessories. She wore a shoulder corsage of radiance red roses.

Mrs. Morrow is a graduate of Coffee County High School and is now employed by Neal Logue Company. She is a popular member of younger society of New Brockton and Enterprise.

Mr. Morrow is a graduate of Elba High School and is a veteran of World War II, now employed at Camp Rucker.

After a short wedding trip, the couple will reside at the Carmichael Homes in Enterprise.—Enterprise Ledger.

Sgt. and Mrs. Julius A. Young returned Friday to Perry, Fla., after spending a 15-day furlough with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Young and Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Wise.

Miss Gladys Stevens left Sunday for Columbus, Ga., after spending about two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Stevens, of Elba Rt. 1. Miss Stevens is employed by S. H. Kress & Company.

Mrs. J. M. Bonneau and granddaughter, Margaret English, returned Monday night from Greenville where they spent the week end with Mrs. C. S. West. She brings news that Capt. Lander Cureton, who has been ill at an overseas hospital for several weeks, expects to be returned to the States at an early date for further medical treatment.

DONALD WILKS DIES IN TROY HOSPITAL; FUNERAL HELD MONDAY

Donald Wilks, thirteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Wilks, of Zion Chapel community, died at Edge hospital in Troy early Sunday morning after an illness of four weeks, following an appendix operation. Complications developed and last week he underwent a second operation. For sevesal days it was known that his condition was critical, however, news of his passing brought deep sorrow to relatives and friends. Donald was a pupil in the Zion Chapel school and enjoyed wide popularity.

Besides his parents, the following sisters survive: Mrs. Hazel Jackson, Mrs. Grace Stephens, Mrs. Agnes Chancellor, Mrs. Madge Kelley, Misses Nell, Wayne and Shirley Wilks.

Funeral services were held at Zion Chapel Church Monday morning at eleven o'clock with Rev. B. F. Pierce officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were: Eugene Fuller, Eugene Jackson, Douglas Rugg, Arnold Neece, Paul Kendrick, Lamar Jacobs, Junior Sanders and Jack Lowery. Hayes Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

MRS. MEDLOCK PASSES

Mrs. Mollie Bell Medlock, 73 years of age, highly esteemed resident of Perry's store community, died at her home on Wednesday, January 31, followiny an illness of two weeks. She had spent practically all her life in that community.

Surviving are six sons: Messers B. C., W. C., T. G, L. O., E. E. and C. D. Medlock; four sisters: Mrs. J. A. Page, Mrs. George Stephenson, Mrs. John Morrow and Mrs. Luther Pope; three brothers: Dr. S. E. Stephens, T. A. Stephens and J. J. Stephens.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. B. F. Pierce at the church in the Rhoades community. Burial was in the adjoining cemetery. Hayes Funeral Home had charge.

Frank Clark, who has been stationed at Dublin, Ga., for several months, is spending a short leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Clark. He expects a new assignment which will perhaps take him to sea again. Friends are always glad to welcome him back home.

Messers Jake Bonneau and Billy Barnard spent the week end at the University of Alabama.

TWO CASES TYPHOID REPORTED FROM ELBA; IMMUNIZATION URGED

Two cases of typhoid fever have been reported from Elba this week, according to the Coffee County Health Department. Everyone who has not had "shots" against this disease in the past year should get them right away. You may receive these treatments free of charge at your local health department in the courthouse Thursday and Saturday mornings, or if you prefer to go to your family physician.

Typhoid fever is a preventable disease which is still causing unnecessary loss of time and life. Are you doing your part in trying to help stamp out this enemy from our community and state? If not, please cooperate and protect yourself against this dread disease.

MRS. CROOK HOSTESS TO ELBA STUDY CLUB—

The Elba Study Club was delightfully entertained on Thursday afternoon, February 1, by Mrs. W. R. Crook in her home on Brantley Road. Mrs. A. C. Dunaway was co-hostess.

The living room was attractively decorated with potted plants and red japonicas.

Mrs. J. C. Dixon, president, presided at the meeting and Mrs. W. C. Braswell, secretary, read the minutes and called the roll. Fifteen members were present.

Committee reports were made by Mrs. Dunaway and Mrs. J. M. Rowe. Mrs. Kline Bentley gave a report from Mrs. George Adams, a State Federation officer, who is an expected visitor. Plans for a special meeting were made with committees appointed by Mrs. Dixon.

The program was led by Mrs. Oscar English, who gave some colorful points on the "Carribean Group of Countries." Mrs. J. M. Rowe followed with an interesting paper on the "Central American States." Miss Evelyn Rainey delighted the members with a reading. A quiz of general interest was conducted by Mrs. J. M. Kimmey, who failed to "pay off."

A delectable salad course was served by the hostesses, after which Mrs. Crook led her guests on a tour through her beautiful new house.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bradley and family have moved to Elba from Chipley, Fla., and are residing in the residence property they recently purchased from Sollie Brunson, on Brunson Hill.

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LEE CLARK CAIN IN TRAINING AT BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Lee Clark Cain, who joined the United States Maritime Service several weeks ago, left Sunday afternoon for the Sheepshead Bay Station, Brooklyn, N. Y., where he will take his basic training. He has been placed on the eligible list for training as a cadet in a U. S. Maritime Academy.

Short and long mortgages for sale at Clipper Office.

WILTON BAILEY WRITES INTERESTING LETTER FROM LEYTE

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bailey, Elba Route 2, recently received a letter from their son, Wilton R. Bailey, sea man first class, who was at Leyte, Philippine Islands, which has some interesting news, and we publish it here for Clipper readers:

Leyte, Philippines,
Monday, Dec. 1944.

Dear Mom and Dad:

Wonder how you are tonight? Fine, I hope. I'm about the same as usual. I received a letter from you today, dated Nov. 20. It took it longer than usual to get here. You said you had not received any mail from me since I left New Guinea. I hope you have heard before now. I wrote you just as soon as I possibly could after we arrived here. I wonder how everything is around home now? I suppose it is pretty dull with so many of the men and boys in service. Mom, you said in your letter that you hoped I was in a better location. Yes, I like it here a lot better than any place I have seen over here. The people are real nice to us. They are well educated. They have good schools and teach practically the same subjects as they do in the States. They also have some nice churches. I have been to one of the churches two Sundays. They have an Army Chaplain and a Filipino pastor. I really enjoy hearing the Filipino preacher speak.

Mom, I wonder if you have any idea as to what part of Leyte I am on? If you will get a map showing the towns you will have a good idea. It isn't a very large place but it is about as big as they have over here.

The ship we were on really fed us good. It isn't quite as good since we came ashore, but that is because they don't have things organized yet. I can't tell what kind of work I'm doing. It is important work and I really enjoy working with the outfit I'm with.

I wonder how the war news sounds back home? It seems pretty good over here. I don't believe the Japs will hold out much longer. I think they have already lost the best part of their army. I'll be glad when this job is over and I can see the Golden Gate bridge at San Francisco again. I will never forget how it looked the evening we pulled out of there. A person doesn't realize how lucky he is to be in a country like ours. There's nothing like the good old U. S. A.

I wish some of the people back home could hear the Filipinos tell about how they were treated while the Japs were here. They were what you might say forced to work for nothing. The Japs paid them the same as one cent day. They took everything they wanted by force. They also treated the women something terrible. You can't imagine how it makes you feel when they tell you these things. I have heard these guerilla fighters talk about having to kill their own relatives because they were giving information to the Japs. I heard one captain tell about having to kill his own father, but it was either his life or maybe a lot of soldiers'. The guerilla fighters are the Filipinos who have been fighting the Japs ever since they took over here in 1942. They stay up in the mountains and catch the Japs in small groups and kill them.

Wilton.

This is my address: I would ve glad to hear from anybody:

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The War Production Board has requested us to notify you of the issuance of Utilities Order U-9 prohibiting certain uses of electricity. A copy of this Order is attached. You will note that the purpose of the Order is to save scarce fuels used in the generation of electricity as a part of the over-all wartime fuel conservation program of the United States Government.

The uses of electricity which are prohibited under Paragraph (c) of the Order are:

(1) Outdoor advertising and outdoor promotional lighting.
(2) Outdoor display lighting except where necessary for the conduct of the business of outdoor establishments.
(3) Outdoor decorative and outdoor ornamental lighting.
(4) Show window lighting except where necessary for interior illumination.
(5) Marquee lighting in excess of 60 watts for each marquee.
(6) White way street lighting in excess of the amount determined by local public authority to be necessary for public safety.
(7) Outdoor sign lighting with limited specified exceptions which you will note in the Order.

You will wish to comply fully with the Order and we urge that you undertake immediately whatever arrangements are necessary to be sure that you do not violate the Order when the mandatory provisions became effective on February 1, 1945.

Any consumer who violates the Order is subject to penalties prescribed by Federal Law which may include the discontinuance of electric service at the direction of the War Production Board. Under the terms of the Order we must report to the War Production Board the name and location of any consumer who refuses to discontinue in violation of the Order.

We have been requested by the War Production Board to urge your immediate voluntary compliance in eliminating your uses of electricity which are prohibited effective February 1, 1945. The Board has also requested that we urge upon you maximum conservation in your other uses of electricity.

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Lesson for February 11

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JESUS AND THE TWELVE

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 10:1, 5-8; 11:1, 25-30.

GOLDEN TEXT—Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.—John 15:14.

Service for Christ has not always been as impressive and effective as it should be because it has lacked conviction and spiritual power. God did not intend it to be the weak and faltering thing that it often is, because of our failure to go God's way.

The sending out of the twelve had special significance, and yet it brings forth principles which have a bearing on the service of every believer in Christ.

The Servants of Christ—

I. Have a Divine Commission (10:1, 5-8).

The twelve disciples had already been called into the Lord's service. Now they were to be prepared for the service which was ahead. It was a time of commissioning and empowerment for service.

God calls men today to serve Him. In fact, there is a very real sense in which every Christian is called to serve. Let no one try to excuse himself from that responsibility and privilege.

To some comes a special call to leave their accustomed daily work and launch out into a broader service for Christ. When that time comes, we may go forth with the assurance that the power of a divine Saviour goes with us. The twelve disciples had some special powers which we do not have and do not need. God suits the power to the need, and that means that in every circumstance we may look to Him with assurance, and go on.

One of our difficulties in dealing with such matters as spiritual power is that we interpret the things of the realm of the spirit by physical standards and measurements. We are so quick to say "I cannot" on the basis of our logical human reasoning, when an appreciation of the power of God which is operative on our behalf would make us say with confidence, "I can." But, sadly enough, having left God out of our reckoning, we find that it is indeed true that we cannot.

Serving Christ means doing so in His power, and with His grace upon us. Nothing less will do! Nothing more is needed!

II. Declare a Divine Revelation (11:1, 25-27).

The messenger's responsibility and importance are largely determined by the nature of the message he has to convey. Particularly is that true where the message must pass through his personality and thus be proclaimed. The nations of the earth choose their most able men to be their ambassadors and grant them full power.

The glorious thing about being a messenger for God is that we carry no ordinary communication. What we have to present is far above the most important message any earthly ambassador could possibly have to carry.

We, the children and servants of God through Jesus Christ, have something direct from the throne of God. He has revealed it (v. 25), and it seemed good in His sight to give it to those who had the childlike faith to believe Him.

God's revelation is hidden from those who are wise in their own conceits, who are too proud to come by way of humility and faith. Thank God, some of the wise and mighty of this world have been willing to become as little children and learn at the feet of Jesus.

The encouraging thing about it is that the door is open to the simplest believer to trust God, to take the revelation of God's truth in His Word, and give it out with grace and power.

III. Extend a Divine Invitation (11:28-30).

"Come"—what a blessed word for the needy and sinful! They are not to be shut out by their sin, nor to be hindered by their weakness. The door is open, and the invitation is to come. Why not respond?

To whom are they to come? To Jesus. There are times when men can help us, when friends or church officers or the pastor can give us an uplifting word of counsel and encouragement. But for salvation, for a real lifting of the burden from the shoulders of those "that labor and are heavy laden," there is no one like Jesus.

We are privileged to invite people to Jesus, knowing that if they "learn" of Him (v. 29), they will not only have their loads lifted and find rest, but will enter into a blessed yoke, fellowship with Him in life and service.

His is a wholesome or a kindly yoke. That is the meaning of "easy" in verse 30. It is not always easy to serve Christ, but being yoked with Him in a kindly fellowship of service makes the burden light.

The world is full of tired and discouraged people. We who know Christ have the adequate answer to their need. Shall we not go in His name to present the truth to them and invite them to come to Christ?

1945 AGRICULTURAL CONSERVAT'N PROGRAM

By Hugh D. Sexton, County Agent

Announcements relative to the 1945 AAA program indicate that the program will again stress the importance of conservation. This simply means that farmers will benefit from the program only by carrying out approved conservation practices on their farms.

The 1945 program is different from the 1944 program in three important respects:

1. The individual 1945 farm allowance for carrying out approved practices, including winter legumes already seeded, will be limited to 75 per cent of the farm's 1944 allowance.

2. Farmers will be required to get approval from the County Committee before carrying out a practice for which they expect to get credit.

3. Farmers will be required to pay the difference between the cost of carrying out a practice and the AAA payment rate.

Conservation practices approved are:

1. Application of superphosphate.

2. Application of basic slag.

To receive AAA credit phosphate and basic slag must be applied to kudzu, lespedeza sericea, permanent pasture or winter legumes grown alone.

The AAA payment rate for applying basic slag is 35 cents per 100 lbs. The payment rate for phosphate varies from 63 cents per 100 pounds to 70 cents per 100 pounds depending upon the analysis of phosphate used.

3. Application of ground limestone: The payment rate for applying limestone is $3.75 per ton.

4. Establishing a satisfactory cover of kudzu. The payment rate for establishing a cover of kudzu is $6.00 per acre.

5. Construction of standard terraces. The payment rate for constructing standard terraces is 80 cents per 100 lineal feet.

Farmers are urged to take advantage of the assistance offered by the AAA. As can be seen from the above, the AAA will pay a good part of the cost of carrying out a practice.

CASPER FOLEY NOW SERVING IN ALASKA

Fort Richardson, Alaska—Tec. 5 James C. Foley, husband of Mrs. Helen S. Foley, formerly of Elba, Alabama, at present residing in Brewton, Alabama, has recently been promoted to the grade of Tec. 4. He is a member of the Medical Detachment serving this station.

Before entering the service, Tec. 4 Foley was employed with Alabama State Board of Health at Montgomery, Ala. He is a graduate of Elba High School and the Public Health Training School, of Elba, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Rhodes of Panma City, Fla., were visitors to Elba Monday.

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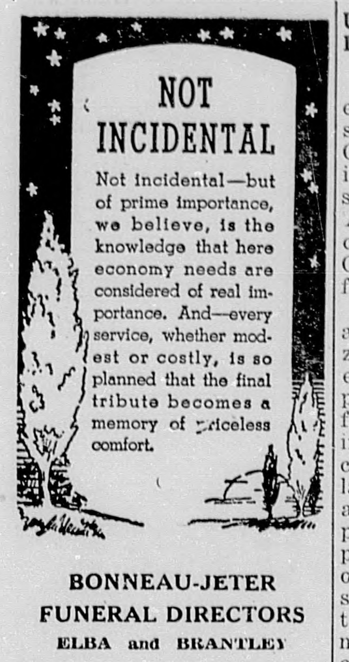

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HENRY R. GALLOWAY AT GREAT LAKES

Henry Rhudolphus Galloway, 21, son of Mrs. Annie Arminter Galloway, Rt. 2, Elba, Ala., is receiving his initial Naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

His recruit training consists of instruction in seamanship, military drill and general Naval procedure.. During this period a series of aptitude tests will be taken by the recruit to determine whether he will be assigned to a Naval Service School, to a shore station or to immediate duty at sea.

When his recruit training is completed, the seaman will receive a period of leave.

Australians sometimes call tropical cyclones willy-willies.

AT FIRST SIGN OF A COLD USE 666
Cold Preparations as directed

URGES PLANTING OF LESPEDEZA SERICEA

There should be a considerable acreage of lespedeza sericea planted in Coffee County this spring for grazing, hay, erosion control and soil improvement, says J. T. Albritton, planning technician of the Wiregrass Soil Conservation District of Coffee County.

It is suggested that at least a small acreage of lespedeza sericea be planted on each farm to serve as a seed patch for producing seed for increasing plantings. To insure a good stand of sericea, break the land in the late winter or early spring, apply broadcast about 400 pounds of 16 per cent superphosphate per acre, harrow or disc the fertilizer into the soil and allow the soil to settle before planting. A peanut weeder should be run over the seed bed and 30 pounds of scarified lespedeza sericea seed sown to the acre. No covering of seed is necessary.

It is best to keep the sericea free from grazing or mowing the first year, but the second year it can be grazed or harvested for hay by mowing twice a year when the plants are 12 to 15 inches high. Yields of two tons of hay per acre are not uncommon. Seed can be harvested when most of the pods have turned brown. Any of the heavier soils will produce sericea and on corded acres is planted for erosion control and soil improvement.

PFC FRANK ANDREWS IS IMPROVING

Pfc Frank D. Andrews, who was slightly wounded in action several weeks ago, is "making normal improvement," according to a card received this week by his brother, Jack Andrews, of Elba. The card stated that Frank was wounded in left thigh. This is the second time he has been wounded in action.

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There is a belief the nitrate beds are droppings of billions of birds. Another, that electricity formed them through centuries of violent storms. Some think the beds are rotted rocks; some think they are a crust pushed up from underneath.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Nazis Put Homeland to Torch As Russians Sweep into Reich; Yanks Gain in Drive on Manila

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

As huge Allied pincer squeezes Germany from three directions, map indicates disposition of Nazi troops, with majority concentrated in East.

EUROPE:
Reach Reich

Having severed the rich agricultural province of East Prussia from Germany, the Red tidal wave of upwards of 4,000,000 men rolled clear up to the eastern border of the Reich itself, with the Nazis desperately trying to check the drive.

Biggest threat to the Reich lay in the Russian advance on Silesia, the "little Ruhr" of southeastern Germany, where Red columns closed in on the rich coal, zinc and iron resources and the industrial centers built around them. Once able to produce about 700,000,000 tons of coal annually during the height of her conquests, defeats in both the west and east, coupled with severe aerial bombardment, are said to have reduced Germany's output to around 200,000,000 tons.

From Silesia northward, the Germans fell behind the flat, forested banks of the Oder river in an effort to check the Russian tide, relying on defenses reportedly in the making as far back as two years ago, when the Nazis foresaw the probability of being forced to fight alone. Reaching the river, the Russians boldly exploited their initiative, throwing armor across its frozen expanse, and bitter fighting raged as the Germans attempted to contain their bridgeheads.

Fanatical Resistance

Having given no quarter during their invasion of Russia, the Germans asked none as the Red tidal wave swept onto their own soil, with the army putting their own villages and factories to the torch to deny the Reds the use of any facilities.

Himmler

Meanwhile, thousands of German refugees streamed back toward the reich from East Prussia and Warthegau province, which Hitler took from Poland after the latter's fall in 1939, further straining the already burdened transport system. As the German army fell back, women and children were hoisted onto tanks and other military vehicles and carted to the rear.

Rushing to the eastern sector, Home Front Commander Heinrich Himmler was given sweeping powers to complete the organization of the "people's army" (the volkssturm) for military as well as labor service, evacuate civilians and industrial facilities, and confiscate or dispose of personal property.

Hold in West

Despite the seriousness of the Russian attack, the Germans continued to resist Allied pressure in the west in strength as they once again found their backs to the important industrial Rhineland.

As the enemy pulled back into the Siegfried Line, reconnaissance showed extensive Nazi troop movements inland, with conjecture that the high command was sending reinforcements to the east. But even as the shifts were being made, the Germans themselves expressed concern over a new Allied drive in the west, with claims that General Eisenhower was massing troops above Aachen.

Meanwhile the British maintained their pressure against German lines above Aachen, while the U. S. 1st and 3rd armies, having ironed out the Belgium bulge, proceeded to punch to the Reich border. In Alsace to the southeast, the Germans continued to harass General Patch's 7th army, extended by the original withdrawal of elements of the 3rd from this sector to relieve the threat of the enemy's Belgium breakthrough.

PACIFIC:
Sight Bataan

With mountainous Bataan hovering ahead in the distant haze, U. S. motorized elements, followed by the 40th division, swarmed onto Clark Field's airdrome, 40 miles above Manila.

Eager to avenge the gallant Yanks who stood their ground so steadfastly on Bataan in the early weeks of the war, the advancing U. S. troops encountered but little stiff opposition, but farther to the north, on their left flank, their comrades faced strenuous enemy resistance.

It was here that the Japs continued to put up their stiffest fight from entrenched mountain positions, in an effort to check the Yanks' drive to cut off their forces on the northeastern neck of Luzon. As the Americans creeped forward against the embattled Japs, U. S. warships were called upon to train their big guns on the enemy fortifications, also being heavily pounded by field artillery.

MANPOWER:
Channel Workers

"Even as congress considered "work or fight" legislation for 18,800,000 men in the 18 to 44 year age group, the War Manpower commission tested a new voluntary plan for channeling employees from unessential to essential industries in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

Under the WMC's new plan, the number of workers unessential plants can retain is reduced, with men released then offered suitable jobs in essential industry. If they refuse to accept, the United States Employment service will not give them a referral card, necessary for obtaining work elsewhere.

Under the work-or-fight legislation shaped by congress, workers in less essential jobs would be asked to shift to more critical employment by their local draft boards, with the latter then ordering them to transfer if they failed to act voluntarily. Physically fit men violating the order would be inducted into the army while the physically unfit would be liable to fine and imprisonment.

CLOTHING:
Shape Controls

In an effort to increase the output of more essential apparel like work clothes, children's wear and underwear, the War Production board revealed that it would grant priority assistance to manufacturers producing such goods from cotton, wool and rayon.

At the same time, the Office of Price Administration announced plans for reducing present clothing prices from 6 to 7 per cent by fixing costs at the average level of the first half of 1943. In reporting its plans, OPA said that better than 100 per cent rise in the nation's clothing bill from 1939 to 1943 threatened the whole anti-inflation program.

Although the effect of the WPB's program will eliminate luxury clothing, medium-priced apparel, along with essential grades, will continue to be made, it was said. Quality of cheaper garments will be controlled to provide maximum serviceability.

ON THE FARM:
Not All Profit

Although U. S. net farm income for 1944 is officially estimated at about 12.4 billion dollars, figures nearly double that amount have appeared labeled as farm income.

A farmer's real farm income is not the total value of his sales of crop and animal products plus the value of things used from the farm but only what is left after business expenses, economists point out.

Dairy Outlook

Because of the absence of seasonal adjustments in ceiling prices, prices received by dairy farmers for the next few months probably will decline less than usual. But dairy production payments will continue at record levels, at least during the first quarter of 1945 for which period payments have been announced.

Milk production during the first part of 1945 is expected to continue at the record rate of 120 billion pounds in October and November.

CABINET CHANGE:
Wallace Bucked

When President Roosevelt asked Jesse Jones for his resignation as Secretary of Commerce to make way for the appointment of Henry Wallace, he precipitated a political turmoil, which saw the senate first take up consideration of a proposal to divorce all of the multi-billion dollar lending operations from the department before considering the confirmation of the ex-vice president.

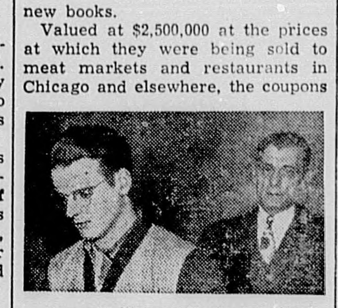
Long at the head of the Reconstruction Finance corporation and its many subsidiaries before its incorporation into the commerce department in 1942, bluff, big-businessman Mr. Jones made no bones about the fact that he thought only an experienced businessman with traditional American ideals of free enterprise should be entrusted with the handling of billions of dollars of government funds available for credit, and its huge investments in factories, facilities, etc.

Upon being apprized of his nomination, lank Mr. Wallace, long the bellwether of New Deal liberalism and favorite of the CIO, declared: ". . . The Department of Commerce and federal loan agency provide an opportunity . . . for intelligent work in behalf of the producing and consuming public. Roughly, the job is to promote a maximum of national employment by private business. Government must accept the duty of seeing that all men in health have jobs . . ."

RATION COUPONS:
Find Fakes

Breaking into a west side apartment in Chicago, Ill., early in the morning, government agents found 50,000,000 fake red meat coupons worth 500,000,000 points, distribution of which would have thrown the whole rationing program out of kilter and necessitated the issuance of new books.

Valued at $2,500,000 at the prices at which they were being sold to meat markets and restaurants in Chicago and elsewhere, the coupons



James Polito and Gaetano Polito.

were but a part of a total with an estimated worth of 2,000,000,000 points in the possession of a nation-wide ring of counterfeiters, OPA officials said.

Held on $25,000 bail apiece were alien Gaetano Polito and his wife, in whose apartment the fake coupons were found, and sons James, 22, and Gaetano Jr., 19, both medically discharged war veterans. Twice convicted for operating a still, the elder Polito, who said he was a cook at a north side cafe, has a minor police record.

WAR FREIGHT:
Emergency Control

With severe winter weather continuing in the northeast, with temperatures in many parts of New York and adjacent states down to 32 degrees below zero and blizzards piling up snowdrifts, temporary stringent regulations were maintained on rail traffic in 10 states both east and south of the Great Lakes in an effort to move war freight.

Although originally permitted to move into the congested area, live stock and poultry, fresh and frozen meat, coal and coke were later temporarily barred from shipment along with less essential civilian freight. Passenger service also was curtailed in the original regulation.

Requested by the Office of Defense Transportation, and voluntarily complied with by the railroads, the restrictions were expected to serve as a model for future regulation of rail traffic in emergencies to provide for the movement of goods for overseas shipment and necessary material to vital industrial plants.

JOB PLAN:
Full Employment Goal

In the first legislative proposal to provide full employment in the postwar period, four Democratic senators introduced a bill under which the President would be empowered to furnish full employment if private industry failed in the goal.

Sponsored by Senators Murray (Mont.), Wagner (N. Y.), Thomas (Utah) and O'Mahoney (Wyo.), the bill would require the President to estimate possible employment by government and industry each year, and then institute measures for taking up any slack.

According to provisions of the bill, these measures could include proposals for encouraging private investment, or a federal spending program, primarily consisting of the construction of public works.

ROCKET BOMBS:
Developed in U. S.

Examination of a German rocket bomb, V-2, which fell into the hands of the Allies in Belgium, discloses that this supposedly mysterious vengeance weapon, which is believed to have been fired more than 60 miles above the earth to fall in England, is similar to rockets developed in the United States before the war, by Robert H. Goddard, in experiments begun in 1910.

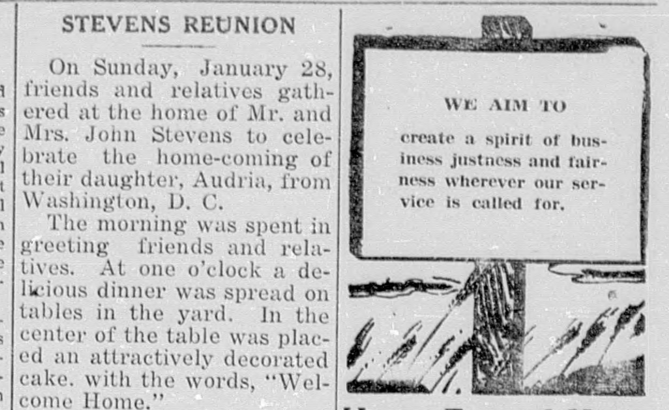
STEVENS REUNION

On Sunday, January 28, friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Stevens to celebrate the home-coming of their daughter, Audria, from Washington, D. C.

The morning was spent in greeting friends and relatives. At one o'clock a delicious dinner was spread on tables in the yard. In the center of the table was placed an attractively decorated cake. with the words, "Welcome Home."

Those present were: Mrs. Edna Willis and daughters, Ruth and Mrs. Horace Hysmith; Mrs. Bell Jackson and daughter, May Ola; Mr. and Mrs. Snick Dean and son, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Parker and Harper Grant; Leon Wilson, Mrs. Dixion Dean and son, Durrell; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hurd and children, Vivian, Emma Ellen, and Charles Hayes; Mr. and Mrs. Will Price and daughter, Vivian; Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Wilkes and children, Ruby Nell and Edward; Mrs. Sam Boswell, Mrs. Zealon Smith, Betty Kendrick, Mozelle Crocker, Nell, Mary Hunter and Virginia Sanders, Janette and Juanita Fuller, Peggy and Nellie Wayne Carr, Kathleen and Helen Boswell, Johnnie Mae Price, Mrs. Sidney Stevens and children, June and Jimmie; Mrs. Russell Arnold, Nell Holliday and Gladys Stevens, of Columbus, Ga.; Marvin Becker of Fort Benning, Ga.; and Audria Stevens, of Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Marley and Mrs. Donald Hammond, of Dothan, and Mrs. R. S. Boyd, of Enterprise, were visitors in Elba last Friday and attended the Army-Navy "E" Award exercises at the Dorsey plant.



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MISS BRUNSON MAKES FIRST HONOR ROLL

Miss Marjorie Brunson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brunson, of Elba, has been listed on the first Honor Roll at Alabama College, Montevallo, for the first semester. The list has just been announced by Dean T. H. Napier.

Short Mortgages, Waive Notes and Rent Notes for sale at Clipper Office.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Rossie Gordon, Complainant, vs. Lum Gordon, Respondent.

In Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, In Equity, Elba Division.

To Lum Gordon:

You will take notice that Rossie Gordon has filed Bill of Complaint against you in this Court. You are therefore notified to appear, plead, answer or demur to said Bill on or before March 12th, 1945, or its allegations will be taken as confessed.

This the 8th day of January, 1945.

GLADYS CLARK, Register.

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SPECIAL NOTICE!

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POOR ORIGINAL

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

A birthday celebration for Miss Ruby Jeane Nolin was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Nolin, Elba, Route 1, Friday night, Jan. 26, on her 9th birthday.

Many games were played and the group was entertained with music by Willine Perkins and Jewell Oliver. At 10 o'clock delicious food was served, consisting of sandwiches, cake and iced tea.

Those present were: Carolyn Perkins, Doris and Aletha Perkins, Jerome and Franklin Foxworth, Carlton, Richard, Marie and Randolph Allen, Mrs. Troy Perkins and children, Everett, Dwain, Doris, Aletha and Jimmie; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Foxworth, Ted and Alton Brooks, Buster Maddox, Lamar Daniels and boy friend, Simpson Will Authan, Edward Lee Marler, Johnnie May Hurston, Floyd and Mack Willis, James and Rodney Baggett, Tubil and Shirley Thomas, Jack Maddox, William Money, Wilson Mobley, L. D. and Hubert Hughes, Albert Parrish and children, Barbara Jean Wise.

Ruby Jeane received many nice presents. We're wishing her many more happy birthdays.—Contrib.

Cadet Joe Brooks, U. S. M. S., who recently finished a course at Pass Christian, Miss., spent several days here last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Brooks. He left Sunday for New York, where he will get assignment for six months sea duty.

Mrs. Perry Elliott and children, of Caryville, Fla., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bryan, of Elba, during the week end.

Mr. Luther Vaughan visited relatives at Bascom, Fla., Sunday. Mrs. Vaughan who had been visiting her parents there, returned to Elba with him.

Go to Church Sunday !

THE ELBA THEATRE
WEEKLY PROGRAM

THURSDAY—LAST DAY
"THANK YOUR LUCKY STARS"
with All-Star Cast
Admission 10c & 30c

FRIDAY—Double Feature
"JIVE JUNCTION"
—Starring—
Dickie Moore, Tina Thayer, Gerra Young
Admission 10c & 30c

SATURDAY ALL DAY
'TEXAS MASQUERADE'
—Starring—
William Boyd, Andy Clyde, Jimmy Rogers
Admission 10c & 25c

SAT., 4 P. M.—LATE SHOW
"WATER FRONT"
--Featuring--
J. Carrol Nash
Admission 10c & 30c

SUNDAY AND MONDAY
Cary Grant, John Garfield, Alan Hale
—In—
"DESTINATION TOKIO"
Admission 10c & 30c

TUESDAY Only--Bargain Day
LADIES OF WASHINGTON"
—Starring—
Sheila Ryan, Trudy Marshall, Doris Merrick
Admission 10c & 20c

Mr. Walter Farris, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bowdoin and son, Donnie, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ballard, of Panama City, Fla., last week end.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY!

Tractor Saws

We have received an allotment of Cut-off Saws to fit Ford Tractors. These are excellent buys and equipped with 28" blades. It attaches to your tractor and is very easy to operate.

"If Its Available--We Have It"

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THANKS

We are very grateful to those who were called upon and rendered such splendid cooperation in connection with our Army-Navy "E" Award.

Your help contributed wonderfully to the success of the ceremony, for which we are very appreciative.

Any items that may have been loaned for the luncheon and not returned, should be called to our attention immediately.

Dorsey Trailers

FOOD:
1945 Prospects

So far well fed Americans can continue to look forward to substantial nutritious fare in 1945 although supplies will be below last year's, WFA Supply and Distribution Director Lee Marshall declared.

Although there will be about the same amount of beef, there will be less pork, veal and lamb, Marshall said. Poultry supplies should be larger.

Supplies of dairy stocks will be spotty, Marshall predicted, with more fluid milk, enough evaporated milk to meet essential needs, but less butter.

Athough in good supply, the volume of fresh fruits and vegetables for the next three months will not approach last year's, Marshall said. Offsetting a slight increase in the supply of canned vegetables for 1945 will be about 12 per cent less canned fruits and juices.

Cereal products will be plentiful but the sugar situation will be tight, the WFA official declared, because of smaller reserves and increased military requirements.

PEACETIME DRAFT:
Hit by Colleges

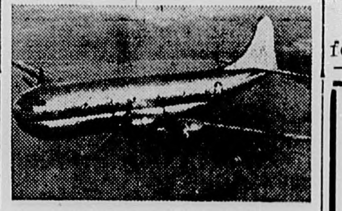
Although pledging full support for an adequate defense program, the Association of American Colleges went on record as against immediate enactment of compulsory peacetime military training for youth because other methods have not been fully explored and the subject should be given more study than now is possible.

Chairman of the committee drawing up the resolution against immediate enactment of peacetime conscription, Dr. Donald J. Cowling, president of Carleton college, said: "This country did not get into the present mess through lack of manpower, but because it lacked a real foreign policy, as was evidenced in failure to apply economic sanctions against Japan and Italy."

In the field of education, the association found ". . . menacing possibilities (in compulsory military training) that indoctrination — its traditional method of wholesale teaching — might become a dangerous political weapon with us as has been true in other countries. . ."

RECORD FLIGHT:
Postwar Promise

Model of America's super airliner of the postwar world, Boeing's converted B-29 army transport flew from Seattle, Wash., to Washington, D. C., in an indicated six hours, sur-



"Strato-cruiser" in flight.

passing the giant Lockheed Constellation's time of 6 hours and 58 minutes from Los Angeles, Calif., to the capital.

To be known as the "stratocruiser," the postwar version of the B-29, now known as the army's C-97, will carry 100 passengers and use engines of more than 3,000 horsepower each.

Although army officials refused to comment on the B-29's record flight, the ship has been undergoing service tests on the west coast since November with gratifying results, it was learned.

BUDGET:
87 Billion Asked

Total authorizations for the war program since 1940 will have reached 450 billion dollars by June 30, 1946, with President Roosevelt's request for an 87 billion dollar budget for the next fiscal year ending on that date.

At 87 billion dollars, the President's budget was about 13 billion dollars below last year's 100 billion dollars, with most of the reduction in war expenditures. Because of decreased war expenditures, however, individuals and corporations will receive less income and pay less taxes, with revenue expected to go down to about 41 billion dollars. By the end of June, 1946, the national debt will reach 292 billion dollars, the President estimated.

Included in the President's budget was a request of 2½ billion dollars for veterans' benefits, which can be expected to increase upon demobilization, he said, and the asking of a half billion dollars for the War Food administration for the farm price support program. He also requested that the borrowing authority of the Rural Electrification system be raised to 150 million dollars and that of the Farm Security administration to 125 million.

EGGS:
New Program

In a program separate from price support, the government reportedly planned the purchase of from 1,000,000 to 3,000,000 cases of shell eggs for shipment to Great Britain, with the possibility that success of the venture may lead to the development of a postwar trade in that country, which imports the produce in peacetime.

The shell egg program is in addition to the government's intention to dry about 365,000,000 pounds of eggs.

HEARS FROM SON IN NEW GUINEA

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clark, of Florala Rt. 1, received a letter last week from a shipmate of their son, Watson B. Clark. He has many relatives and friends in Coffee County who will be glad to hear from him. He has served in the Navy five years. Below is a copy of the letter:

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Clark:

I was a shipmate of your son, Watson, on the USS A. P. C. 11 which left the U. S. A. April 14, 1943. I just got back in the States. I promised your son I would drop you a line and let you know how he was when I left New Guinea in November. I am not kidding when I say he is getting fatter every day.

He will soon be home. He's waiting on his orders now. Mrs. Clark, your son is one of the best men I have ever worked for. He was fireman first class when I came aboard the A. P. C. 11 in Miami, and he hasn't changed a bit. He is now chief mate's machinist mate and he deserves it because he really worked for it and he really knows his business.

I understand Watson is going to marry when he goes back, and I know it will not be long. I say if he makes as good a husband as we boys know he has made a good man to work for, he will get along in married life o. k.

Well, Mrs. Clark, I haven't much time to write. I am waiting on my papers to go home. Will close now.

Charles Jack Sellers,
1309 N.W. 4th St.,
Miami, Fla.

Miss Barbara Smith is reported to be slightly improved in Edge hospital, Troy, but is still in a serious condition.

Mrs. Sam Byrd, of Cordele, Ga., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. English, in Elba last week.

Mortgages and Rent Notes for sale at Clipper Ofiice.

Miss Eleanor Brunson, student at Judson College, Marion, spent the week end in Elba with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brunson.

Pvt. Kilbie H. Johnson, stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss., spent a three-day furlough the first of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson, of Elba, Route 3.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Golden announce the birth of a daughter January 23, whom they have named Judith Annette.

Lt. William H. Ham, who has been stationed at Camp Swift, Texas, spent a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Ham. He left Monday for Camp Ord, California, for new assignment.

Jeff Carnley, 8-year-old son of Mrs. Sara Carnley, is reported to be suffering with an attack of Brill's fever.

Mr. Luther Vaughan made a business trip to Dothan Wednesday.

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SPORT JACKETS, SPORT COATS, AND SPORT TROUSERS FOR THE MEN, YOUNG MEN AND BOYS — ALL SIZES AND STYLES, IN A WIDE RANGE OF PRICES.

SPORT SHIRTS, RAYON AND WOOL, $5.00 TO $6.50.

BOYS' REVERSIBLE, FINGER-TIP OVERCOATS, WATER REPELLANT.

EXTRA SPECIAL — WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED 20 DOZEN FAMOUS BOTANY, WRINKLE-PROOF TIES; LATEST DESIGNS AND THE BEST TIE YOU CAN BUY FOR $1.00.

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BATH ROBES ; HATS FROM $3.50 TO $7.50.

MEN'S SHOES, $5.00 TO $8.75.
BELTS FOR MEN AND BOYS—$1.00 TO $1.50.

BOYS' HELMETS AND CAPS—$1.00 TO $2.00.

OUR DRY CLEANING PLANT IS STILL IN OPERATION AND WE CAN GIVE YOU JUST AS GOOD WORK AND SERPICE AS IS POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS. WE ARE GLAD TO MAKE SUCH ADJUSTMENTS AS WILL MAKE OUR WORK ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY TO YOU. BRING YOUR WORK OR CALL US FOR PICK-UP SERVICE.

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THE ELBA CLIPPER

Buy more War Bonds now for Future security, too!

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FOREST H. TALBOT DIED SUNDAY AT HIS HOME IN ELBA

Forest H. Talbot, World War I Veteran, and one of the most widely known residents of this section, passed away Sunday afternoon at the W. O. Vaughn residence on Smith Avenue, where he had made his home for the past several years. His lifeless body was found in bed some time after he had gone to his room to take a nap, and death came as the result of a heart attack.

Mr. Talbot was 49 years of age and had spent nearly all his life in Elba. He served with the military forces in World War I, and due to that service had practically lost his eyesight. He possessed a most friendly nature and had scores of friends here and throughout this section who were shocked at his sudden passing.

Surviving are his father, H. C. (Pete) Talbot; two sons, Kenneth and Ted Talbot; three sisters: Mrs. Joe Sanders, Mrs. D. L. Harris and Mrs. Eugene Brown; three brothers: Fred, Hutch and Charles Talbot; and many other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Elba Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock with Rev. O M. Fox and Minister J. C. Dixon officiating. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery. Pallbearers were: Levy Foley, Will Brunson, Guy Folsom. Ed Kendrick, Levy Morrow and Jim Whitman. Hayes Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

GRAND JURY RETURNS TEN INDICTMENTS

The grand jury empanelled here Monday morning in Circut Court recessed Tuesday afternoon after returning ten indictments. There were twenty-one presentments before the body.

Judge C. C. Brannen also called cases on the non-jury, equity and appearance dockets of the court, and many of these were disposed of during the short court session.

MRS. WESLEY HARRIS SUFFERS BROKEN HIP

Friends of Mrs. Wesley Harris, former Elba resident who recently moved to Bainbridge, Ga., will regret to learn that she is in Enterprise hospital suffering from a broken hip. The accident occurred Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Vaughn when she fell on the steps of the front porch. Mrs. Harris had come to Elba on account of the death and to attend the funeral of Forest Talbot. Friends trust that she may soon be fully recovered.

Mrs. J. M. Folsom's many friends regret that she is quite ill at her home in West Elba, and hope she will soon recover her health.

MISS DRINKARD AND MARSHALL REDDOCK MARRIED FEBRUARY 3

The marriage of Miss Ernestine Drinkard, daughter of Mrs. Buna Rrinkard, of Elba, and the late Mr. Drinkard, to Sgt. Marshall Reddock, of Elba, son of Mr. Will Reddock, of Los Angeles, Calif., took place on Feb. 3 at the Methodist parsonage in Troy with Dr. Norman McLeod performing the single ring ceremony.

Miss Eunice Graham was the only attendant. She wore a three-piece black gabardine suit with a corsage of red carnations.

The bride was lovely in a suit of seafoam green with patent accessories. Her corsage was of white carnations.

Sgt. Reddock has recently returned from overseas after being wounded in France, now being in the hospital at Rome, Ga. He is on a 30-day leave visiting friends and relatives in Elba, where the couple will reside.

MRS. CROSBY PASSES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Mrs. W. G. Crosby, highly esteemed resident of Damascus community, passed away at her home on Wednesday, February 7, after a short illness. She suffered a stroke of paralysis on February 3, and gradually grew worse until the end came. She was 67 years of age and had lived in Damascus community for 25 years.

Surviving are her husband, W. G. Crosby; two sons, Willie E. and Loyd R. Crosby; three daughters, Mrs. Mae Farris, Mrs. Maudie Herrington and Mrs. Ruth Pope.

Funeral services were held at Damascus Church on February 8, with Rev. A. W. Barker officiating. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery at Elba. Pallbearers were: John H. Windham, Hubert Holloway, Wilbur Adkinson, Elmer Purvis, Cecil Windham and John W. Stephens. Hayes Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

SISTER DIES IN LAKELAND, FLORIDA

Friends of Mrs. W. W. Sanders will regret to learn of the passing of her sister, whose death occurred in Lakeland, Fla., Monday morning following a long illness. Mrs. Sanders had been at her bedside for more than three months.

Mack Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moore, is reported to be getting along nicely following an appendix operation at Edge hospital in Troy, last week.

Cpl. Fred D. Clark, stationed at Napier Field, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Clark, here this week.

Attention Farmers!!

We wish to announce to the farmers of this section that we have made arrangements to install

New Peanut Shellers

in time to shell your peanuts this spring. These machines will be the latest type and we shall give you the same prompt and courteous service as in the past.

We will have plenty of Good, Sound, Seed Peanuts, and would be glad to have your order Now.

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ALABAMA ARTILLERY OUTFIT FIRES ITS 100,00TH ROUND

With The Seventh Army In France—The cannoneer pulled the lanyard and another page was added in the history of the 933rd Field Artillery Battalion, as the last round of a total of 100,000 went out toward the German lines.

This was the cause of a recent celebration in this American unit, a former Alabama National Guard battalion, which has marked its progress through much of the fighting in Italy and France. The battalion also recently completed its fourth year of active service, with 16 months of that time overseas. Enlisted men and officers are entitled to wear four campaign stars on their theater ribbons.

The first round of the above mentioned total was fired from a position in the Volturno valley in Italy. The greatest number of rounds fired in a single 24-hour period by the battalion was 3,064 when it supported the Allied attack in Italy last May 11 and 12, from positions along the Garigliano River. Of these rounds. 1,329 were fired in the first four and a half hours of the attack.

Personnel of this battalion originally came from the Southeast Alabama towns of Elba, Florala, Geneva, Troy and Dothan. Upon mobilization of the unit on 25 November 1940, it was the 2nd Battalion, 117th Field Artillery Regiment of the 31st Infantry Division.

A part of the original officer personnel from Alabama are still with the unit. The executive officer, Maj. G. B. Wilder, and the Plans and Training officer, Major Don S. Mathews, are natives of Andalusia. Others are Captain R. Carter, Florala; Captain John C. Holman, Evergreen; Lieutenant Henry A. Dorsey, Elba; and Captain Jack Parsons, Dothan.

The battalion entered combat in Italy near Venefro and later proceeded to the east and west sectors of Cassino, and over the spine of the Italian peninsula in rugged terrain, under severe cold in the winter months and severe heat in summer.

The unit participated in the crossing of the Garigliano River, in the taking of Cassino, the break-through of both the Gustav and Hitler lines and was present at the fall of Rome and the subsequent drive to the north. It participated in the capture of Siena, important communications center on the road to Florence, and aided in the drive to capture Florence.

Also contained in its combat history are several citations, chief of which was awarded by the French Expeditionary Corps in Italy. This citation carried the award of the Croix de Guerre, with Vermillon Star, and read in part: "This unit has, from 11 May 1944, throughout the whole of the French Expeditionary Corps' offensive, provided rapid and large scale protection for our advance elements, effectively aiding the latter in their victorious advance." The citation was signed by General of the Army Juin, then commandant of the French Expeditionary Corps and now chief of French Army Staff.

The battalion shared in the citation tendered by Col. Navereau, of the French Army, last June, when it was part of a Fiend Artillery Group. This citation lauded the courage of the 933rd Field Artillery Battalion's commanding officer, and went on to read: "Having been authorized to take up positions farther back, the Group chose to remain in positions already occupied, fired with great precision under the most difficult circumstances and never failed to display the greatest coolness under fire."

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MRS. MADDOX PASSES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. Claudia Maddox, life-long resident of Elba, and one of its most highly esteemed women, died at her home last Thursday, February 8, following several months' illness. For several days her condition had been serious, and while her death was not unexpested it brings sorrow to relatives and countless friends. She was 58 years of age and was a daughter of Mr. W. R. Rowell and the late Mrs. Juliet Rowell.

Surviving are her father, W. R. Rowell; two daughters, Mrs. Alva Devane and Mrs. Luke McCollough; four brothers: Messers Charlie B., Cicero, Levy and Comer Rowell.

Funeral services were held at Elba Baptist Church on Friday with Minister James C. Dixon officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen cemetery. Hayes Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

PFC. JAMES E. TAYLOR ENJOYING FURLOUGH

Camp Blanding, Fla.—Pfc. James E. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Taylor, of Elba, Ala., Route 2, member of the Medical Detachment, ASF Regional Hospital, Camp Blanding, Fla., is enjoying a 13-day furlough at home.

Pfc. Taylor, for the past year, has been affiliated with the dispensary section of the hospital, considered one of the largest hospitals of its type in the Southeastern area.

Pfr. Taylor was inducted in the Army on Jan. 23-43, at Fort McClellan, Ala., and has been stationed at Camp Blanding for two years. Previously, he was located at Fort McClellan.

METHODIST NOTES

Preaching at Liberty Methodist Church Saturday night at 7.30 war time.

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Prayer meeting at Elba Methodist Church Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. W. M. Sproles.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Winston and Miss Nellie Faye Smith have returned to Washington, D. C. They were called here on account of the serious illness of Miss Barbara Smith, who is slowly improving at Edge hospital, in Troy.

Classified Advertising

If you want to buy, sell, swap, rent or locate lost property, try an adv. in this column.

FOR RENT: One-horse crop, all under fence, for standing rent. Mrs. John Hale, Elba Route 5. f15-22

FOR SALE. 1937 model 2-door Plymouth car; good tires and motor in good condition; must sell quick; see me at Bonneau-Jeter Hdwe., Elba, Ala. Ed Kendrick.

FOR SALE: 1924 Model T-Ford cut down roadster: in excellent condition, with three good pre-war tires, another fair tire. Can be seen at Laman Crocker's, Elba, Route 5. F15-22.

FOR SALE: One good post drill with several bits; a good vise, forge and blower; anvil with hammers. scrape set; tire shrinker; hot iron cutter, tongs and other essentials of a blacksmith shop. Rev. Huie Ziglar, Jack, Ala., Rt. 1, at Victoria.

NEW BLACKSMITH SHOP

We have opened up a new blacksmith and repair shop back of C. Y. Martin's store and are prepared to do all kinds of blacksmithing and repair work.

Tucker's Blacksmith Shop
F1-22.

POSTHUMOUS AWARD IS MADE MRS. NELSON ON DEATH OF SON

Mrs. Lula Nelson, Route 5, Elba, has been notified that a posthumous award of the Purple Heart has been made to her son, Private Oucie Nelson, killed in action in the European theater of war. Under date of January 12 the Secretary of War wrote the following letter to Mrs. Nelson:

"My dear Mrs. Nelson:

"The President has requested me to inform you that the Purple Heart has been awarded posthumously to your son, Private Oucie Nelson, Field Artillery, who sacrifised his life in defense of his country.

"The medal, which you will receive shortly, is of slight intrinsic value, but rich with the tradition for which Americans are so gallantly giving their lives. The Father of our country whose profile and coat of arms adorn the medal, speaks from it across the centuries to the men who fight today for the proud freedom he founded.

"Nothing the War Department can do or say will in any sense repair the loss of your loved one. He has gone, however, in honor and the goodly company of patriots. Let me, in communicating to you the country's deep sympathy, also express to you its gratitude for his valor and devotion.

"Please believe me,

"Sincerely yours,
HENRY L. STIMSON."

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On 8 December 1944, Lt. Col. Walter E, Tardy, Field Artillery, Army of the United States, writes from Headquarters 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion, as follows:

"I wish to take this opportunity to express to you my deepest sympathy at the loss of your son, Oucie. I was his commanding officer and can assure you that he was one of the finest soldiers under my command. He was brave and fearless before the enemy and a hard worker whose thoughtfulness and consideration for others gained him respect of all who knew him.

"Oucie was killed in action against our enemy and for this supreme sacrifice has won a place of honor in the hearts of his countrymen who will see to it that he has not died in vain.

"It is my sincere hope that you will find comfort in the knowledge that your boy is a hero who has died so that others may live."

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On 1 December 1944, Major Lloyd E. Langford, Assistant Division Chaplain, wrote the letter below to Mrs. Nelson from Headquarters Third Infantry Division:

"By the time you receive this letter you will have been officially notified of the death of your loved one, Oucie Nelson, who has given his life in the service of his country.

"He was on an armored night patrol when direct fire from a small enemy self-propelled gun landed next to the vehicle. He was exposed in the turret, receiving shell fragment injuries and concussion from the blast. His death was instantaneous. According to an officer of his company, "He was noted for his willingness to do more than his share of any duty when called upon. He was well liked by all the men in the company, and was definitely a 'Soldier' in every sense of the word."

"As Protestant Chaplain, it was my sad duty to officiate at his burial. I wish to assure you that he received a service in keeping with the high principles for which he made the supreme sacrifice. He was laid to rest in a cemetery that is nicely located, and the surroundings have been developed as beautifully as possible. His individual grave is cared for with the reverent respect and honor which is due our national heroes.

"During your sorrow I offer my kindest sympathy, and pray that comfort and strength from God will be constantly yours. Let us also trust Him for the speedy defeat of a dreadful enemy and the early return of peace to our beloved nation. Please be assured that your loss is also keenly felt by his comrades who are continuing the task before us. Through the help of God, victory will be ours."

FRANK YOUNG IN ADVANCED TRAINING AT WISCONSIN UNIVERSITY

Frank Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Young, has recently been assigned to the Navy's Radio School at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, where he will get advanced training in radio communications. Mr. and Mrs. Young last week received a letter from L. K. Pollard, Captain USN, Commanding officer, from which we quote some excerpts:

"You have reason to be proud of your son because of his selection for this type of work. He has been chosen because the Navy believes that he possesses special abilities which qualify him for the important post of a radio operator with the Navy.

"During the nineteen weeks he will be here, he will be working very hard. Forty-four hours of every week are devoted to the classroom, laboratory, and organized physical education. He must become proficient in the sending and receiving of coded messages, and he must learn typing, radio procedure and naval indoctrination. That's a rigorous schedule, but it is preparing him for a position of great responsibility.

"One of the brightest moments in a Bluejacket's day is 'Mail Call'—IF he gets a letter from home. He likes a 'newsy' type of letter—one that is filled with information about his family and his friends.

"You may rest assured that your son is receiving the finest training the Navy has to offer, and that we will do all we can to make his life here a happy one."

The many friends of Joe Frank Prescott will regret to learn that he is quite ill at his home here suffering from an attack of Brill's fever, and trust that he may soon recover.

Messers John Taylor, J. D. Smith and J. F. Brunson attended the Pea River National Farm Loan meeting in Samson Wednesday.

U. S. ASKS FARMERS .... TO AGAIN INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTION

If our boys at the front are to be adequately fed and clothed, American farmers must produce more (even than last year's record crops) with less help, and with fewer replacements of farm machinery.

The supply of farm labor is shorter than ever. Agricultural deferments are being cancelled. Machinery replacements are harder to get. This means that tractors, farm trucks and equipment—old and overtaxed though they may be—must be kept working every possible minute, if farm production quotas are to be met.

"Our organization," says Mr. T. B. Bryan, local agent of the Standard Oil Company, "is endeavoring to aid this program by helping the farmer keep his trucks, tractors and farm equipment in fighting trim. Our drivers have been trained to assist in preserving the life of farm machinery. Tractor operators can secure from our drivers a free Wartime Manual that will help them keep their machines in the fields working, and out of the repair shop. I urge our farmer friends to take advantage of this service."

TWO MORE COFFEE BOYS AT GREAT LAKES

Fred Siith, 21, husoand of Mrs. Dorothy Smith, Elba, Rt. 1, and Hoyt Jackson, 18, son of Mrs. Rossie Jackson, Elba, Route 2, are receiving their initial Naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

Recruit training consists of instruction in seamanship, military drill and general Naval procedure. During this period a series of aptitude tests will be taken by the recruits to determine whether they will be assigned to a Naval Service School, to a shore station or to immediate duty at sea.

When recruit training is completed, the seamen will receive a period of leave.

Sam E. Sawyer has returned from a business trip to Chicago. It was his first visit to the windy city and he said he enjoyed everything except the extremely cold weather, which made him like Elba, Alabama, better than ever.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wise and family and Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maddox have moved to Panama City where the Messers Wise and Maddox have employment in the shipyards.

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